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August 30, 2002

The Honorable Sara Kyle, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243

RE: Proposed Rules for the Provisioning of Tariff Term Plans and Special Contracts
Docket No. 00-00702

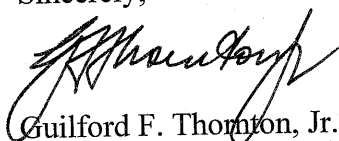
Dear Chairman Kyle:

Our law firm represents Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee, LLC and Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State, LLC (together, "Citizens"). Please allow this letter to serve as a notice of appearance in the above referenced docket.

In addition, Citizens herein joins in the substance of the Joint Statement filed in this matter by several parties on August 28, 2002. We look forward to participating in the prehearing conference now scheduled for Monday, September 9, 2002.

Copies of this letter are being faxed to counsel for the other parties of record. If you have any questions or if further steps are required or our part at this time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Guilford F. Thornton, Jr.

cc: Director Deborah Taylor Tate, Hearing Officer
Mike Swatts
Gregg Sayre